

DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER ANDERSON
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COMMISSION SECRETARY
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**FROM: CHRIS BURDIN
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DATE: MARCH 28, 2023

**SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN
POWER FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOARDMAN-
TO-HEMINGWAY 500-KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT; CASE
NO. PAC-E-23-01.**

On January 27, 2023, Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp (“Company”) filed an application (“Application”) requesting an order granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) for Energy Gateway Segment H, the Boardman-to-Hemingway 500-kilovolt (“kV”) transmission line (“B2H” or “Project”). The Company will co-own B2H with Idaho Power Company (“IPC”), which recently filed its own CPCN application for the Project in Case No. IPC-E-23-01.

On February 8, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Intervention Deadline. Order No. 35678. Subsequently, the Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association, Inc. and Bayer Corporation petitioned to intervene. On February 24, 2023, the Commission granted intervention to both parties. Order No. 35686. On March 8, 2023, the Commission Secretary issued a Notice of Parties.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

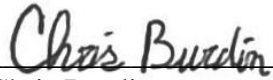
Staff has contacted the parties in this case and Staff recommends that the Commission issue a Notice of Schedule and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a May 25, 2023, Staff and Intervenor comment deadline, and a June 8, 2023, Company reply comment deadline.

Further, Staff recommends that the Commission direct Staff to conduct a Public Workshop at a date and time to be determined in a later Commission Order.

Finally, Staff recommends that the Commission issue a Scheduling Order for a Public Customer Hearing at a date and time to be set by the Commission in its order.

COMMISSION DECISION

1. Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Schedule and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a May 25, 2023, Staff and Intervenor comment deadline, and a June 8, 2023, Company reply comment deadline?
2. Does the Commission wish to direct Staff to conduct a Public Workshop at a date and time to be determined in a later Commission Order?
3. Does the Commission wish to issue a Scheduling Order for a Public Customer Hearing at a date and time to be set by the Commission in its Order?


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